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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Executive and Planning Staff

SUBJECT : Nicosia Bureau FY-85 Program Plan

The Nicosia Bureau Program Plan for FY-85 assumes no increase in the T/O of [ ] positions, which is adequate for the bureau's current mission. However, if Headquarters decides to set up a [ ] facility in Cyprus or if INTERNET were to be established, there would be major expenditures not programmed in the FY-85 plan for an increase in staffing and for construction and equipment costs. These projects, of course, would also require that our present agreement with the Cyprus Government be renegotiated.

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We have used an exchange rate of \$2.30 to 1 Cyprus pound, even though the current rate is around \$2.05. The rate tends to fluctuate over the long term, and the Embassy's economic officers believe \$2.30 is a realistic estimate for FY-85.

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Headquarters should budget under the appropriate subobject class the cost of a part-time American contract secretary.

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